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App. No. 10/528,257
Attorney Docket No. 3457.2.10 NP

Remarks

Applicant thanks the Examiner for the Written Office Action.

Applicant desires to indicate the status of the claims in the application. Claims 1-12 are pending in the application; Claims 3, 5, 7, 8/7 are objected to in the application; Claims 1, 6 and 9 are objected under 35 U.S.C. 112; Claim 1, 2, 4, 6, 8/6 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103; Claims 9-12 are allowed and Claims 3,5,7 and 8/7 are allowable if rewritten in independent form.

In the response to the last Office Action, Applicant included an Information Disclosure Statement, referencing the cited prior art. The application number, CN2008000767, and the publication number, CN1302182, both refer to the same Chinese patent application. The Examiner pointed out that page 1line 15 of the specification makes reference to Chinese Application Number 00800767.5 and asked for clarification. Applicant submits that the correct number is CN2008000767 and there was a typographic error in the number referenced specification and should be corrected.

In response to the claim objections, Claims 1, 6, and 9 have been amended to correct the inadvertent spelling errors.

Response to Examiner's allowable subject matter

Applicant acknowledge with appreciation of the Examiner's finding claims 9-12 allowable. In response to the Examiner's suggestions regarding the potential allowance of Claims 3, 5, 7, and 8/7, the Applicant amends the claims, per the Examiner's

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suggestions, into independent form plus all of the limitations of the base claim plus any intervening claims.

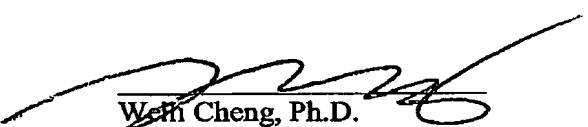
Response to Rejection under 35 U.S.C. 103

In response to the 35 U.S.C. 103 rejection of claims 1 and 4/1, 2 and 4/2, the

Conclusion

Applicant respectfully submits that all the pending claims as amended are allowable and request the issuance of all the pending claims.

Respectfully Submitted,



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